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Re: Serial No.: 09/708,006
Applicant(s): Akihiro KISHISHITA et al
Filing Date: November 8, 2000
For: NOVEL ASPARTAME DERIVATIVE CRYSTAL AND PROCESS FOR
PRODUCING THE SAME

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS (RETURN COPY); FILING OF DECLARATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f); DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT
APPLICATION (3 PAGES, EXECUTED); REQUEST FOR PRIORITY; CERTIFIED
PRIORITY DOCUMENTS (2)**

Our check in the amount of \$-0- is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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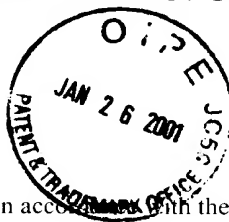
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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated January 18, 2001, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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